HEAD OF CONCERN HAS DISAPPEARED

resident of W. H. Hardin Company Has Been Missing Since January 8th.

NOTHING IS KNOWN HERE

Members of Firm Refuse to Discuss Matter in Any Way for Publication.

Since the Sih of this month Mr. W. H. Hardin, president and organizer of the W. H. Hardin, Company (Incorporated), of No. 113 South Fourteenth Street, has been misting from the city.

Absolutely no explanation of the disappearance is forthcoming. Mr. Hardin lived on West. Crace Street, and his wife was here with him for some time. She left Richmond shortly before Christinus and soon afterward her husband did not show up at the office.

Officers of the concern, merchandise brokers, decline to give out any statement regarding the absence of Mr. Hardin. They admit, however, that he had been away from the city since the Strotten and they further say that they do not know his present whereabouts. As to whether his connection with the firm has been severed, as reported in an afternoon paper, Mr. C. O. Deal, the secretary and treasurer of the firm, said last-night that he did not know.

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Deal, the secretary and treasurer of the firm, said last-night that he did not know.

"If Mr. Heirdin shows up in the morning and everything is explained, why then there will be no more to the matter," said Mr. Deal.

Mr. W. C. Fearear, now connected with the Hardin brokerage house as salesman and confidential man, said last night that he had known Mr. Hardin for ten years. He had worked with him in Norfolk when he was associated with the T. F. Southgate Company, and left Norfolk to join Mr. Hardin here after the latter had started the present firm.

Mr. Deal declined to say anything about the case. Asked if the accounts of Mr. Hardin afforded any explanation for his disappearance, he turned, with a smile and remarked, "I have nothing to say."

The return of the officials of the Hardin Company to make any statement regarding the absence of the president of the establishment makes the case all the more mysterious. Another strange part of the disappearance is the fact that no report has been made to the police of the absence of the man.

Mr. Hardin may return, and if he does there will be nothing said other than a notice that he has arrived in the city. Just why he has so mysteriously departed is, perhaps, his own business, and if it concerns any one else, the others are clam-like.

BOLLING WANTS TURBINE PLANT

Urges Expenditure of \$178,891 by Council for This Purpose.

The Water Committee of the Council last night hele an important meeting, Subchairman W. Fred Richardson presid-ing, and disposed of considerable business, including the making up of the needs of the department for presentation to the Finance Committee and incorporation in

The committee makes up its list of needs ithout rexard to the electric power and amping plan now pending, but independ-tly thereof. In it Superintendent Bolling thy thereof, in it Superimeneant Solling kks provision to meet the immediate loads of the pumping system, and urges of expenditure of \$178.91 for a turbine imping plant with mains from the New impingual and plant to the reservoir. It is stated that \$500-horsepower of water wer is going to waste at the New imphouse and that the sum that would Jumphouse, and that the sum that would be expended for electric current would pump twelve million gallons of water dally, whereas the capacity of the valeties. present demands and no more. A serious preakdown of any pump would seriously

embarrass the city.

The entire pumping capacity of the city's two pumphouses is 22,500,000 gallons dally, and deducting the capacity of the Old Pump-House plant, the quantity pumped adily is 15,000,000 gallons, whereas the average dally consumption is 14,000,000. The extension of water mains to the annexed territory and the growth of population there will necessitate supplementary pumping facilities, not to mention the wisdom of providing reserve pumps. The total expenditures asked at and in connection with the New Pump-House are \$225,600.

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On motion of Mr. Aveil the estimate was recommended to the Finance Committee.

HEBREW AID SOCIETY.

Annual Meeting Held and Of-

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At a meeting of the Hebrew Sheltering Aid Society, held Sanday, the following officers were elected: President, M. Brown; Vice-Fresident, M. Schloss; Secretary, S. I. Hirshberg; Treasurer, Phil. Hirshberg; Trustees, L. Coplon, E. C. Meyer, S. Abrahamson, H. J. Cohn, I. Watskey, Sam-Stern, B. Pisher, M. Peteroff and S. Jacobson.

After the election of officers Messrs, E. C. Meyer and Sam Stern, on behalf of the society, presented to Mr. S. I. Hirshberg, who has served as secretary for eight years, a silver tea service.

Hearing To-Morrow.

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Charles Miller, Harry Vance and Edith Stein, the alleged baggage thleves, who have been arrested in New York, will be given a hearing before a justice there to-morrow, and it may be that they will be brought here this week, for trial.

Many detectives have been at work on the case, and they claim to have found that the three prisoners arrested in New York, together with Lewis Rodgers, who was first apprehended here, have stolen from almost every railroad in the country.

At Union Station.

A general meeting of the congrega-tion of Union Station Methodist Church will be held this evening at 8 o'clock. This meeting is not only in the inter-est of the debt, but in regard to the work of the entire church. The board of the church have adopted a plan, which they wish to inaugurate, and by which they expect to make the work of the church more aggressive and successful.





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MURDERED PHYSICIAN, MAN CHARGED WITH CRIME AND WOMAN IN THE CASE



HORNETS' NEST

Mr. Lever, of South Carolina, Said Some Plain Things About Speaker.

ALSO SCORES MR. HAUGEN

JOHN BELL, who is under arrest on the charge killing Dr. Charles W. Townsend.

DAUGHTER'S WEDDING

FRIENDS ALARMED.

Report of Death of Mr. Winters

Caused Excitement.

PEOPLE IN DAKOTA

Say They Will Burn Railway

Property-No Trains This

Year.

the situation.

IN FUEL FAMINE

WOULD NOT ATTEND

Members From Agricultural Districts Restore Free Distribution of Seeds.

Rev. John W. Daugherty Thinks
Ceremony Should Be Performed
by Officers of Law.

Believing that church and state should not come into contact and firmly declaring that all weddings should be performed by officers of the law and not by preachers of the gospel, Rev. John W. Daugherty, pastor of the Apostolic Church, of Fulton, declined to attend the marriage of his daughter. Miss Elizabeth Bourdette, to Mr. Frank B. King, of Portsmouth, Monday night.

The ceremony was performed in the home of the birde's parents by the Rev. Dr. J. W. Mitchell, president of the Virginia Anti-Saloon League. All the members of the family, save the father, were present.

Rev. Mr. Daugherty was once a Baptist minister. He afterward became a believer in divine healing, and left the denomination. He does not think that any person needs medicine if he or she has faith enough. Yet two of hig sons are physicians.

Rev. Mr. Daugherty came into prominence some menths ago when one of the members of his church refused to allow a physician to attend her ill child, which later died. Much was said about him at that time. But stoically ne refused to make any statement, and is keeping up this policy.

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The recommendations of the Committee

chief of the Bureau of Chemistry, Dr. H. W. Wiley, from \$3,500 to \$4,500, went out on points of order.

PROTESTS AGAINST JAP SCHOOLS

The Senate Adopts Majority Resolution Without Debate.

SACRAMENTO. CAL, January 29.—
the Senate to-day adopted the majority
esolution on the Japanese school queston without debate. It "strenuously
rotests against the unwarranted inerference with the constitutional
ights of the State," and "requests the
lovernor and Attorney-General to do
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Caused Excitement. Alarming reports were received in Richmond last night to the effect that Mr. O. Heywood Winters, a prominent vocal teacher, whose studio is at No. 7 East Main Street, had been found dead by the side of the street-car tracks between Manchester and Petersburg. Mr. S. T. Simpson, of Newport News, who was in Chesterield county, found Mr. Winters in an unconsclous condition, and thinking he was dead, threw a blanket over him, and came to Richmond and made a report. Later Mr. Winters recovered boarded a street-car, and himself returned to the city. Mr. Winters, who suffers with heart disease or acute indigestion, is subject to these spells of unconsciousness. Once he remained unconscious for eight hours in his home. He is an accomplished gentleman, and has a fine baritone voice. Some months ago he came here from New York for the benefit of his health. Considerable excitement was created by the reports received in the city of the supposed death of Mr. Winters, and his appearance at a late hour at his home was, needless to say, a great relief to his friends. ELON COLLEGE IS PUSHING TO FRONT

Large Expenditures in Equipment-Organization for Observance of Sabbath.

Year.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 28.—A telegram received at the Interstate Commerce Commission from New Rockford, N. D., says that the fuel situation there is so desperate that the people will burn railroad property in less than forty-eighthours for fuel. The dispatch says: "The vailroad on this branch not making any effort to relieve us. Have had no freight this year; no mail for twelve days." The commission repeated the dispatch to President Elliott, of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, and asked him if something could not be done to relieve the situation. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) ELON COLLEGE, N. C., January 29. Rev W. H. McMasters, a clergyman from Pennsylvania, now the champion of the cause for Sabbath gonduct and observance in the State of North Caroling, delivered a carefully selected and timely

Bears the Signature Chart Hillichers.

discourse in the chapel at Elon College this week. Recently an organization was perfected in the city of Greensboro through the efforts of this gentleman. Many notable citizens of the State were present at the meeting in Greensboro, notably Governor Glenn and State Superintendent Joyner.

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Miss Moore, State organizer of the "White Ribboners," spoke to a large audience in this place recently, under the auspices of the Y. W. C. A of Elon College. Nearly every student now wears the white ribbon.

The most delightful entertainment for the midswinter was given last night in the college chapel by the School of Expression, Miss Annie Irene Heifenstein, director

tor
Miss Helfenstein comes to us from the
University of Kansas, and has brought
that high schoarship and energy characteristic of the educators of the great
West. This was the first public recital by

the class.

The new heating system, electric light and water plant, installed at a cost of \$15,000 or \$20,000, together with the \$30,000 dormitory, have given great peasure and comfort this winter to the large studer

body.

Dr. Carlisle, of the chair of Latin of the Wake Forest College, says Elon College has done in sixteen years what Wake Forest did in thirty years, and in the heating and lighting has gone ahead of its sister college in seventy years. He thinks the co-educational feature of Elon adds much to the water.

MURDERED BY

Restaurant-Keeper Stabbed to Death in His Own Place of Business. PHILADELPHIA, January 29.-Dying

n the hospital from stab wounds inflicted, it is alleged, by Frank Zuggkro, of Chi cago, Frank Marshall, a restaurant keep er, declared to the police to-night that he was the victim of a "Black Hand" plot was the victim of a Black Hand plot. Zuggkro, with three other Italians, entered Marshall's restaurant, and after eating oysters, complained of the amount of their bill. Marshall alleges, as a pretext for getting into an argument. Zuggkro, Marshall alleges, then set upon him. Ho was stabbed four times. Zuggkro was 116 was stabbed four times. Zuggkro was arrested, but refused to make any statement. His companions escaped. Marshall says he has been threatened a number of time by the "Black Hand" Society, and told the authorities he is convinced Zuggkro was sent here by the "Black Hand."

WHITE WOMAN IS GAGGED; ASSAULTED

Is Not Yet Well Enough to Describe Her Assail-

NEW CUMBERLAND, W. VA., Janary 29.-Unconscious, gagged and bound to a chair, Nellie Campbell; chief operator to a chair, Nelle Campbell; chief operator at the local telephone exchange, was found nearly dead at her home to-day. She has not yet railled sufficiently to tell who her assailants were, and it is still doubtful whether she will recover. Apparently the girl's assailants were burglars, who, after assaulting her, tied and gagged har and then ransacked the house, taking several articles of value.

POLIECE BELIEVE MAN ARRESTED IS FORGER

H. A. Humphreys, a white man, about thirty years of age, was acrested yesterday on the charge of being a suspicious character. He is alieged by the polye to be a forger and a "short change" crook. The man was arrested by Detectives McMahon and Gibson.

Henry Austin Caught. Henry Austin Caught.

Henry Austin, the negro who struck Mr. A. S. Barlow Monday afternoon, was arrested yesterday and locked up at the Second Station. He will be charged with a felony before Justice Crutchied this morning.

Mrs. John G. Leland has returned from Washington, D. C., where she has been to attend the marriage of her sister, Miss Susie A. Towles to Mr. J. Brady Bell, of Grenoble, France.

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MILITARY MATTERS.

The Richmond Howitzers last night held their annual business meeting, at which officers were elected for the ensuing year, committees were appointed for various features of the business to be attended to, and steps are taken to bring the numerical strength of the command, already high, up to the limit, and even to provide a waiting list of applicants.

Reports from the fiscal officers showed the battery to be in excellent financial condition, with a snug balance to its credit, and all the various phases of the armory and its accessories are in fine shape.

Captain William M. Myers is ex-officio chairman and the other officers elected are Lieutenant F. W. Minson, scoretary; Sergeant Wood, treasurer.

Sergeant Rowsey and Corporal Levering were made members of the Finance.

Syrian Identified by Guard as Man Who Fired Fatal

NEW YORK, January 22.—Joseph Cou-ey, of Brooklyn, proprietor of a lace actory in West Hoboken, was mys-eriously murdered in his factory late ust night. To-day three men were ar-ested in this city, one of whom, Elias brathya, a Syrian, was charged with the hooting.

ONLY TWO DAYS LEFT.

Captain Cunningham Urges People to Pay Their Taxes.

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Captain Frank W. Cunningham, Collector of City Taxes, announces that all city tax bills in his office unpaid after January 31st will be, under the law turned over to the Delinquent Tax Collector, and the penalty provided adde to them. He points out that there are number of delinquent sewer and Improvement tax bills, and that these, to will become delinquent on February 1st and that six per cent, will be added to them if they are not paid by to-morrow night.

MASONIC HOME.

Home for Indigent and Aged.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
SALISBURY, N. C., January 29.—
brough Mr. E. Wallace, special agent
t the Masonic Mutual Relief Association, of Washington, it is learned the Masonic fraternity of North Carolina has on foot a new movement looking to the establishment of a home for the aged and indigent members of the order in this State. It is proposed to maintain the institution on the same plan as the Oxford Orphanage is maintained, and the movement is meeting. plan as the Oxford Orphanage is maintained, and the movement is meeting with much encouragement. A number of towns in North Carolina want the institution, but it is not yet known where it will be located. The Masonic fraternity has doubled in North Carolina in the last ten years, and now has over 16,000 members. It is stated that work will probably be begun on the Grand Lodge Temple in Raleigh in the spring, and will be built at a cost of about \$150,000. Temples are also in course of erection at Winston-Salem and Tarboro, while "Charlotte, Greensboro and other points expect to build temples in the near future.

For New Industry.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

SALISBURY, N. C., January 29.—
Citizens of Salisbury are working for
the establishment in the city of an
office of the Toledo Safe and Lock Company for the manufacturing of safes.
Mr. W. C. Russell, manager of the Dixio
Novelty Company, a newly organized
concern for Salisbury, is in correspondence with the officers of the company with a view to opening a branch
in this city.

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THREE ARRESTED EXPLOSION KILLS

Stewart Mine Buries Two Hundred Men-Little Hope of Rescue.

GRAND JURY BRINGS IN SEVEN INDICTMENTS

Present Session of Judge Barksdale's Court Promises to Be Interesting.

(Special to The Times Dispatch.)
HOUSTON, VA., January 29.—At a
meeting of the Board of Supervisors, neld here on Saturday, all the members being present, Dr. W. M. Smiley was elected physician to the poorhouse over Dr. F. E. Booker, who has been the incumbent for several years.

Plans were adopted for the early and complete renovation and refitting of the country is.

ounty jail.
Mr. R. S. Barbour, a member of the

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Mr. R. S. Barbour, a member of the board, was instructed to secure the necessary floor space for the country exhibit at the Jamestown Exposition.

The regular term of the Circuit Court of Hailfax county began to-day. On account of the snow-storm and the severity of the weather a comparatively small crowd was in attendance. A regular grand jury, with A. Barksdale, Jr., as foreman, was empanelled, and they have just made their report, returning seven indictments for felony, and were adjourned until to-morrow morning. Judge Barksdale, in his charge, called their attention specially to the duties imposed on them by Section 578 of the Code, and urged them to make the examination of the property books, as required by the statute, with the diligence, carefulness and faithfulness which their oaths as grand jurors imposed on them. And they will doubtless begin that Investigation to-morrow.

The political pot is beginning to simmer, and much handshaking was indulged in to-day. W. P. Shapard, the incumbent: N. Talley Bollon, deputy clerk; C. C. Carrington, ex-sheriff, and W. B. Chandler are all anxious to serve the county as sheriff. For the Senate the only avowed candidate is It. O. Kerns, and it is likely that he will be returned without opposition. Messrs, Booker and Glenn have announced their willingness to return to the House of Delegates, and Mr. T. E. Dickerson, a member of the Board of Supervisors and a leading farmer, is known also to be a candidate, and there may be others.

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Charged With Felony,
Otis Holdfield, a white man, for cutting H. C. Saver, was arrested late last night and looked in the First Station.

V. P. I. GLEE CLUB AT BEDFORD CITY

Musical Cadets Give a Delightful Entertainment and Sing in Church Choir.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BEDFORD CITY, VA., January 29.—Under the joint auspices of the William R. Terry Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy and the Guild of St. John's Episcopal Church, the Glee Club of

John's Episcopal Church, the Glee Club of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute gave a concert at Belmont Theatre Saturday evening.

The music, whether classic, sentimental or comic, was rendered in excellent style of harmony and expression, and at once claimed the full sympathy and appreciation of the audience, and every number was greeted with enthusiastic bursts of applause.

Mr. Frank H. Abbot, professor of modern languages and English at the institute, who spent a number of years abread in studies, of which music took a prominent part, is the director and inspiration of the club, not only leading the choruses, but, when necessary, playing the accompanied himself on the guitar in a humorous song, to which he was forced by insistent applause to respond with an encore.

Mr. H. D. Hodges, of Norfolk, who sang

encore,
Mr. H. D. Hodges, of Norfolk, who sang several solos, received an ovation of applause, which he well deserved,
Sunday morning, in St. John's Episcopal Church, the music was rendered by the Glee Club, and their rendering of the chants and hymns charmed all.

WANT LIBRARY.

Faculty of Colored A. & M. Col-

Faculty of Colored A. & M. College Ask City's Assistance.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
GREENSBORO, N. C., January 29.—
The faculty of the colored Agricultural and Mechanical College, of this city, are trying to secure a library for that college, and have asked the Board of Aldermen to appropriate \$500 annually for that purpose. Some time ago Mr. Carnegie offered to give \$10,000 for a building if the city would appropriate \$1,000 annually to the maintenance of the library. The negroes of this city propose to pay half of the thousand if the city will give the other \$500, and the matter has been referred to a committee, who have the matter under consideration.

LADY FATALLY BURNED.

Dress Caught From Open Fire. She Lingered in Agony.

(Special to The Times Dispatch.)
DURHAM, N. C., January 29.—Mrs.
Mary Langley, an aged widow lady, died. Mary Langley, an aged widow lady, died, this morning from the results of severo-burns she received several days ago. Her clothing became ignited in some manner last Wednesday morning when she was sweeping in front of the freplace. Yesterday she seemed to rally and it looked as if there was chance for her recovery, but death shortly followed. Mrs. Langley was sixty-seven years of age and is survived by one son—Mr. Robert Langley.

Major's Son Very III.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
[KEYSVILLE, VA., January 29.—Mr.,
Heeber J. Morton, son of Major J. W.
Morton, is critically ill in Augusta, Ga.,
where he is attending the Georgia Medical College, Hig father and sister, Miss,
Lucie, were telegraphed for and are now
with him.

Not Unlikely.

Charley Vaudeville (at the classical concert).—This music by the old consposers may be all right, in some respects, but it strikes me as being too reminis-

cent.
"What!"
"Well. I seem to have heard snatches
of it before, somewhere."—Puck.

Drunkenness Cured.